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C O N F I D E N T I A L BEIRUT 2895

PASS COMMERCE FOR COHEN, MUSCAT AND MANAMA; KUWAIT POUCH
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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ETRN, MU

SUBJECT: PENDING SALE OF MCDONNELL DOUGLAS VIP/SAM

1. MCDONNELL DOUGLAS CONSULTANTS, MUSCAT, AND BARRY
TAYLOR, DOUGLAS AIRCRAFT COMPANY MILITARY SALES REPRESENTATIVE,
INDICATE MUSCAT VERY CLOSE TO ORDERING THREE MCDONNELL
DC-9-30 TWINJET AIRCRAFT, SPECIALLY CONFIGURED FOR
VIP/SPECIAL AIR MISSION REQUIREMENTS OF SULTANATE. TWO
OF THE AIRCRAFT WILL REPLACE OBSOLESCE VISCOUNTS ON
SULTANATE-OPERATED INTERNAL SERVICES AND ONE AIRCRAFT
WILL BE USED AS VIP VEHICLE FOR SULTAN. VALUE OF
ORDER ESTIMATED HERE AT APPROXIMATELY \$21 MILLION,
INCLUDING VIP INTERIORS AND SPECIAL COMMUNICATIONS EQUIP-
MENT.

2. IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO INDICATIONS FROM MCDONNELL DOUGLAS,
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TO RCAA REGARDING IMMINENT SALE, UK REGIONAL AIR ATTACHE

INDICATED HIS AWARENESS THAT SULTANATE WAS IN FACT ACQUIRING
THREE DC-9-30'S, MUCH TO THE DISAPPOINTMENT OF BAC WHO
HAD BEEN HOPING TO SELL THREE BAC 111-475'S.

3. IF SALE OF THREE DC-9-30'S DOES GO THROUGH, THIS COULD
POSSIBLY AFFECT FUTURE REEQUIPMENT PLANNING FOR GULF AIR
AS REGARDS REPLACING BAC 111-400'S WITH LARGER MORE VERSATILE
TWINJET AIRCRAFT.
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